



Alabama was an integral supporter of Near East Relief, the American-led campaign that quickly sparked an international response with its unprecedented humanitarian endeavor, mobilizing all segments of American citizenry including elected officials, celebrities and laypersons alike, to help rescue victims of the Armenian Genocide in Ottoman Turkey from 1915-1930.



- Alabama facilitated its relief efforts from its state NER office headquarters located at 2027 Age Herald Building in Birmingham.
- Alabama's NER committee organized a group of local volunteer speakers to raise awareness about the plight of Armenian suffering and distress overseas.
- One of Alabama's most influential volunteer speakers was Dr. Oscar deWolf Randolph, Rector of St. Mary's-on-the Highlands Episcopal Church in Birmingham.
- Dr. deWolf Randolph, through only six public community outreach meetings, facilitated \$5,341 in donations from the generous and concerned citizens in Birmingham

who were committed to the rescue and rehabilitation of the Armenians under the care of NER.

- Committed to increasing public awareness and action in Alabama, Dr. Guy E. Snavely, President of the Birmingham Southern College, recruited 50 volunteer speakers from the student body who were trained by faculty member Prof. Loehr and continued to educate and garner philanthropic support for NER's critical life-saving efforts.
- Word of Dr. Snavely's successes reached NER volunteers all the way in Tennessee where 22 students from the University of Chattanooga were recruited to be volunteer speakers at their local community outreach meetings and raise funds for the critical operations overseen by NER.







Alabama, We Thank You!

Thanks to the generosity of Near East Relief, its participating organizations and entities, the U.S. Government and State Governments, and especially the American people at large, over 1,000,000 refugees and 132,000 orphans of the Armenian Nation and other Christian minorities were rescued, fed, clothed, and educated. We have survived, thrived, and prospered from the horrors of Genocide at the hands of Ottoman Turkey.

For your unwavering support and unprecedented generosity in donating to Near East Relief's humanitarian efforts, Alabama, We Thank You!